THREE CENTS.

THE DEFENSE OF NUTT.

Opening Address of Mr. Playford, in Which Defendant's Irresponsibility Is Claimed.

The Family Physician Considers Him an Imbecile, Not an Idiot.

Testimony of the Prisoner's Mother of the Effect His Father's Death Had Upon Him.

Nutt Affected to Tears Several Times During the Day.

PITTSBURG, PA., Jan. 16 .- A cold, crisp morning probably had some influence in reducing the usual crowd at the opening of the Nutt trial this morning, and the fact that none were admitted without tickets undoubtedly kept away the crowd that has morbidly thronged the hallways and vestibules since the trial was begun. There was a larger number of ladies present than heretofore and of persons in attendance as spectators-all of evidently well-to-do classes. Mrs. Nutt and Lizzie were early on hand and occupied their accustomed seats. Hon. Dan Voorhees was also in his place. He will do the summing up for the defense.

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It has truly been said that posterity is the test of friendship. On the altar of friendship I cast my offering this morning, and I am here to defend that boy, whose father was my friend before he was killed. This is a remarkable case, and it has been conducted in a remarkable way. We do not dispute or deny the killing. Has it occurred to the jury that it would be singular if we should try to show that there is nothing singular in the fact that a citizen was shot down in the quiet of the evening without a moving cause? Does it not, gentlemen, show that there was an unnatural cause—an insanity? The commonwealth, had they so minded, could have shown you that. They could have shown you that, from the terrible digrace and the scenes that had preceded it, young Nuit knew not at the moment what he was doing, and that we shall prove. We shall show you by evidence that at the time he did the deed the past wrongs and outrages upon his family had made him unable to control his will. That he was pressed into the commission of the act by a controling influence that was overpowering, is the defense in this case. An influence that he could not resist is our declaration of his past in the deed performed. We will show you the circumstances that preceded the shooting; his affectionate nature, lave of home, devotion to father, mother, and sisters. We will show the deep interest be had taken in all home projects, and how, after the murder of his father, that boy was changed; how he became melancholy, and said that his catific his current samed changed. But up to the trial of Dukes the day new nothing about the terrible letters that Duce and winten. cashing terrible aspersions upon, ma sister, bankruping his family's honor, as well as destroying in head. When the boy head tables terrible letters—the most damnably horrible hata human being ever pensed—his mind gave we have wilked the floor all the night long, weeping: Ma appetite forsook h

Dr. Smith Fuller, the first witness, testified that he had attended the Nutt family seven teen years, and had treated the defendant several times when sick; that he always beout sound mental attributes, and that he would be inclined to harbor feelings of enmity, which would increase with time, and would probably become a monomaniac on the subject. Dr. Fuller further stated that a person of James Nutr's temperament, mentally brooding on his father's death, would unsettle and incapacitate him from mental control over him He considered him an imbecile, not an

The admission of this by the defense de stroys the prosecution's attempt to rule out the line of defense—emotional insanity—and gives the defense a clear field. Mrs. Nutt was then called and testified: My husband's name was Allison C. Nutt. At

mention of his father's name the prisone. burst into tears.

Continuing, Mrs. Nutt said: My husband

died suddenly at the Jennings house. I have nine children. At the time of my husband's death Jim was at school in Rochester, N. Y. He came home immediately. He was a good boy and much attached to his father and my-I always considered him the reverse strong, and his father often said in he disliked to leave Jim more than the rest of the children, as he was not able to take care of himself. Excitement greatly affected the boy all through life. He was accustomed to use a pistol for years, shooting at a mark being his favorito pastime. After father was killed James made a request for his pistol, and witness gave it to him. Before Dukes's trial he was quite listless and took little interest in anything. After the nequittal of Dukes he was greatly excited and graw worse. When he heard Dukes's letter, and for a week before the killing of Dukes, defendant often screamed "Murder" at night,

defendant often screamed "Murder" at night, waking up all who were in the house. One day he went to the postoffice and when he returned he was much agitated.

He walked the floor and finally left the room. Witness followed him and he said: "Mother, don't you think that villain Dukes had the impudence to look at me and laugh." Several other times, when in town, he would return much excited; this was when he

would meet Dukes.

The prosecution objected to the admission of this testimony, but was overruled by the court. The witness continued: "I saw nothing unusual about Jim on the night of th

The witness was then shown letters which she identified as these written by Dukes, and shown her by her husband. They were the letters read at Dukes's trial. The court adjourned for dinner, after

which the trial was resumed with Mrs. Nutt

on the stand. Senator Voorhees arose and stated that the defense would put in evidence two letters addressed to Capt. Nutt by Dukes and one addressed to Dukes by Nutt's father. The letters, he said, would not be read at present, but it was agreed that counsel could make remarks upon them previous to their being given to the jury.

Mrs. Nutt. "Yes, sir. My son kept papers in a trunk in his room and spent much time there. After the Dukes trial he did not attend to the work around the farm, and when I told him he ought to take more interest in the work he said: "Mother, I have no heart

the work he said: galother, I have no heart to do snything."

"How did he spend his time?"

"He sat around and broaded over his troubles. Some time after Pukes's nequittal it was reported to me that he was following

Presecution-"Would James come home excited when he heard anything about Dukes?"

"Then why, in that state of mind, did you | plorer of equatorial Africa, is dead.

communicate to him anything about Dukes following Lizzie about?" "It was communicated by others in his

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"When he was a small child. He commenced carrying a pistol when 9 years old, and has been armed ever since. Pa permitted him to errry a pistol, but often warned him to be careful." "You noticed a strange conduct on his part up to the thirtleth of June?"

"You knew that Dukes was in town and

that it sgitated James "I did." "And you knew he had this pistol?"
"Yes, sir."

"Did you ever ask him to desist from going

"I cannot say that I did." By the defence: "You warned him to be

Mrs. Anna Wells, Mrs. Nutt's mother, was next called. She testified to the prisoner's peculiarities. She said he was always sad and did not mingle with the other children.

and did not mingle with the other children. He was very excitable, and after his father's death often walked the floor at night meaning. Frequently his mother would tell him to do things and he would forget them. One night I heard him cry "Murder!" so loudly as to waken every one in the house. He told me, said the witness, that he met Dukes one day and that he looked into his face and grinned. I didn't notice anything peculiar about him on the afternoon when he shot

day and that be looked into his face and grinned. I didn't notice anything poculisr about him on the afternoon when he shot Dukes. He came in to change his shoes, and said, "Grandma, I am going down to get the mail." He was very quiet. I never saw him after that until to-day.

Stephon R. Nutt, an uncle of the defendant, said: "James was always melancholy and preferred being by himself. He was visiting my sister-in-law, Mrs. Nutt, on the thirteenth of June, and upon going to the stable he discovered that I had an English 'buildog' pistol with me. I pulled it out and showed it to Jim, and knowing that he was a good judge of pistols, having handled them frequently, asked him what he thought of it. When I started for homs, I do not recollect making the mark, 'Jim, do not fail.' I never anticipated that Jim intended to shoot Dukes; on the contrary, I drged him to avoid Dukes, for I knew the boy's disposition. Jim appeared to be in excellent humor that day."

Jimmy lived with me the largest portion of the time his father was in the army. He was a quiet boy, but very excitable. I talked with him about his father's death the day the latter was buried, but he turned away from me, and did not appear to want to talk on the subject. When Dukes's name was mentioned he would shudder so palpably

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was mentioned he would shudder so palpably that it was very noticeable to me." At this point the court adjourned until tomorrow morning. The prisoner was in tears during the greater part of the time his mother, grandmother, and Uncle Stephen were testifying.

The Railroad War.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.-The following notice was issued to-day from the office of the joint executive committee:

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All shippers of freight over the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad which is intended for traisportation over the roads of the undersigned companies are hereby notified that the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad has no authority to issue through bills of lading for shipmentoversald roads, and that the undersigned wilknot be parties to any such through bills of lading issued to cover salpments over the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad. All freight delivered to them by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad will, however, be charged at the same rates as are charged on other similar freight, but no charge will be advanced to the Delaware, Lackawanna, and Western railroad for transportation of such ireight prior to its delivery to us, and on and after Monday, Jan. 21, 1884, prepayment of all freight charges from Bulfato to point of destination or delivery to connecting carriers will be required.

Michican Central R. R. Co.
GRAND TRUNK R. R. Co.
LARE SHOBE ASD MICH. SOUTHERN R. R. Co.
New YORK, CHICAGO, AND ST. LOUIS R. R. Co.
The notice is given by the authority of the above-named railroad companies and duly served upon the Delaware, Lackawanna, and Western railroad.

Two Mills and a Steamer Burned.

Two Mills and a Steamer Burned. PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 16.-The Yawgoo oolen mill in Exeter was destroyed by fir this morning which probably originated from spontaneous combustion. It was a from spontaneous combustion. It was a three-set mill, owned by Albert J., Chester, and operated by Sumner Fairbanks for the manufacture of cassimeres. The loss on the mill and stock is \$31,000. The mill is in-sured for \$16,000, and the stock for \$3,500. The yarn mill owned by Rhodes K. Ed-wards, located in Nooseneck Hill, near West

Greenwich, was destroyed by fire on Saturday. The loss will amount to about \$25,000; insurance, \$17,000.

Privanua, Pa., Jan. 16.—The steamer J.

D. Johnson was burned early this morning while lying in a harbor on the Monongahela river, at Woods Run, Pa. Two men, who were on board at the time, made a narrow escape, and were obliged to leave the beat without any clothing. The fire caught from a stove. The boat belonged to Richard Wellington and was valued at \$16,000.

Payne Elected on Joint Ballot. COLUMBUS, OHIO, Jan. 16.-The result of the election for senator, which took place in the houses separately vesterday, was declared in joint convention to-day, smid cheers by the democrats. Later a resolution was offered from the republican side of the house to in-vestigate the charges of corruption in securing the nomination. This was defeated, only

the nomination. This was defeate half of the republicans voting for it. Mr. Payne arrived to-night, and was es-corted by a committee to the capitol, where the democratic caucus was in session, and made a speech approving the caucus decrees on all matters political. To-morrow night a banquet will be tendered by members of the legislature, state officers, and others.

A Girl Found Dead on the Prairie. CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—The dead body of Amelia Olsen, aged 17, was discovered on the open prairie, near the northwestern outskirts of this city, this morning. Deceased was employed as a domestic, and met her death while returning home after nightfall from her place of work. There were evidences while returning home after nightful from her place of work. There were evidences that she met with violence, and the belief is entertained that she was choked and left insensible, and died from the effects of her rough usage or of that combined with ex-posure to the cold night. The locality though which the girl passed is infested with a rough class.

a rough class. Death of William G. Weed.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.-William G. Weed, o. Albany, died this morning in this city. Mr. Weed was 61 years old. He came to this city on a visit a week ago, and was taken ill with pneumonia. The deceased was a prominent lawyer of Albany, and for many years was one of the leading republican politicians of that city, being a personal friend of President

A Bold Robbery. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16 .- Fred'k Schaeffer. a cigar dealer, on Ridge avenue, to-day was front of his store by a young man, and while his attention was attracted in that way some one entered from the rear and stole from a closet money and bonds to the amount of \$2,500.

Stove Molders' Strike.

LEBANON, PA., Jan 16 .- The molders of the Lebanon stove works were notified this morning of a reduction of 10 per cent, in their After a short deliberation the men Wages. decided to strike and left the works in . About 150 men are affected by the

Death of an African Explorer. LONDON, Jan 16 .- M. Schuyver, the ex-

THE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

Selects a Congressional Campaign Committee and Adopts Ringing Resolutions.

A Chairman and Secretary to Be Elected Monday Night.

A joint republican caucus of senators and representatives was held in the hall of representatives last night to appoint a congressional committee. More than 125 members of congress were present. Senator Edmunds, of Vermont, presided, and Representative Miller, of Pennsylvania, acted as secretary. In taking the chair Senator Edmunds said that the outlook for the republican party in 1884 was, at this early period in the campaign, better than at any time in the past fifteen years. There was every reason to believe that the party would be successful, if it only exercised wisdom in se-

lecting a candidate.

The following resolutions were offered by

Senator Hoar:

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Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that a republican congresional committee be immediately organized, consisting of one member from each state and territory having republican representatives, for the preparation and circulation of documents concerning the subjects pending in congress and other political information, and for the execution of such other campaign work as may be agreed upon by that committee and the republican national committee.

Resolved, That we express our sympathy, and will extend our co-operation in all practicable ways, to all southern republicans who are struggling to exercise the vital and fundamental right of free suffrage in pipular elections, and no less do we plotge our friendship and assistange to all citizens of the southern stees who have not been republicans, but are manfully contending against the proscription or murder of voters, and in favor of freedom in politics, honest political methods, and public education of the whole people, and we recommend the prompt and cordial union of republicans with all such patriotic citizens in combined efforts to redeem their states from the fatal domination of interiors were warmly applauded by

The resolutions were warmly applauded by the caucus when read, and after being favor-ably commented upon by Senators Hoar, Logan, and Hawley, and Repre-estatives Hiscock and Mayo, they were unanimously

The members of the committee, as agreed upon by the representatives of the states were: California, Senator Miller; Florida, H. were: California, Senator Miller; Florida, H. Bisbee; Illinois, G. R. Davis; Iowa, Senator Allison; Kansass, Thomas Ryan; Massachusetts, Senator Hoar; Minnesota, W. D. Washburn; Mississippi, Judge Jeffords; Nevada, Senator Jones; New Hampshire, Senator Blair; New Jersey, Senator Sewell; New York, F. Hiscock; North Carolina, James E. O'Hara; Ohlo, William McKinley, jr.; Pennsylvania, J. M. Campbell; South Carolina, E. W. M. Mackey; Vermont, J. W. Stewart; sylvania, J. M. Campbell; South Carolina, E. W. M. Mackey; Vermont, J. W. Stewart; West Virginia, Nathan Goff, jr.; Wisconsin, Senator Sawyer; Dakota, J. B. Raymond; Idaho, Theodore Singiser; New Mexico, F. Luna, and Washington, T. H. Brents.
When a call was made for a member of the committee from Utah, Senator Edmunds remarked, "Ot course that is represented by a democrat."

Other state delegations not being fully represented, those present asked leave to pre-sent the name of a member of the committee at some future time. They were requested to name their committeemen as soon as possi-ble. The secretary of the caucus was authorized to call a meeting of the committee next Monday night at the Arlington hotel. At that meeting a chairman and an executive committee of seven members are to be ap-

The Louisiana Republican State Committee. Special Lupatch.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 16 .- The republican state central committee, at a called meeting held in this city to-day, after indorsing President Arthur's administration, called a state convention to meet on March 5 to nominate a state ticket and elect delegates to the national convention. A majority of the com-mittee seemed to favor Col. John H. Stoven-He is one of the sugar planters in the state, and it is conceded by prominent democrats that a strong repub-lican ticket has a chance of election, and will force the McEnery ring to use the peculiar returning board law passed by the last legis-lature to carry their ticket through by fraud.

Fanny Buckingham's Husband.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Jan. 16,-Fanny Louise Buckingham, the actress, who is known by her frequent appearance in the role of Mazeppa, is the wife of William Pettit, the Pollman paince car conductor, who was arrested a few days ago on an indictment charging him with disposing of tickets to "scalpers." He has been unable to supply \$200 bail, and this afternoon she entered the county court room and offered to deposit \$200 to ensure her husband's appearance when wanted for trial. Judge McGill would not accapt it, and said she must procure a property owner as secu-rity. She wept on hearing the decision.

A Big Jewelry Burglary.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 .- Burglars entered the shop of Goldsmith & Co., manufacturing jewelers, at No. 49 Maiden Lane, last night, and opening two safes secured diamonds and jewelry valued at \$20,000. They also opened a safe belonging to J. Bulova, another manufacturing leweler on the floor above, and stole \$150 worth of plain gold rings. The cracks-men were evidently frightened away before they completed their work, as they left all their tools in the building, and abandoned a safe which they had partially opened. They must have been at work several hours.

New Hampshire Prison Labor.

CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 16 .- The governor and the committees on prisons of the executive council held a conference with Mr. tive council hold a conference with Mr. Comins, the failed prison contractor, this morning, at which the latter expressed confidence in his ability to make such arrangements with his creditors as to permit resumption of work in the prison shops. He will make a definite proposition on Monday, and in the meantime the convicts will be kept locked up in their cells. in the meantime the locked up in their cells.

The Bourbons Hesttate.

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 16 .- The committee on privileges and elections to-day decided to withdraw from the position they took whereby it was decided to seat Pettit and turn out Senator Hubard. This was so flagrant a fraud that many of the bourbons cried out sgainst it, although the more vio-lent demanded it. It is now said they will declare the sent of liubard vacant.

Indiana Republicans.

Indianapotits, Jan. 16,-The republican state committee, at a meeting held here today, issued a call for a convention to nomi-nate candidates for state officers on June 19. The state convention to select delegates at large to the republican national convention will be held here on April 17.

Killed by a Fall from a Trestle. BALTIMORE, Jan. 16.-Michael Welsh, aged 40, was killed this afternoon by falling from a trestle over Jones's falls to thorice below and under a heavy piece of timber he was carry-ing. Dennis O'Connell, who was assisting with the timber, also feil and was seriously in-

Dedication of a Public Library. BAY CITY, MICH., Jan. 16.-The new public library presented to West Bay City by Henry W. Sage, of Ithaca, N. Y., was dedicated to-day in an appropriate manner. Prof. Mozes Cuit Taylor, of Cornell university, made

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tion, and Mayor Fisher the reply of acceptance. The building is worth \$30,000, and with its 5,000 volumes constitutes a splendid

CHINA DETERMINED TO FIGHT.

What an American Residing in Canton Says of the Situation There. NEW YORK, Jan. 12 .- A private letter received in New York yesterday from a gentle-man residing in Canton and dated Dec. 5 contains the following: Things are coming to a critical point now in Tonquin. China is determined to fight, and a war can only be avoided by France backing clear down to the ground. France has made an awful muddle of the whole affair. Had she acted with force of the whole affair. Had she acted with force at the first Tonquin would now be here and everything would be quiet. The idea of excupying a country with only a thousand or two troops is too abourd for serious contemplation, but that is just what France attempted. France in her delay and want of resolution has led China to believe that fear has kept her back, and this idea has taken such a hold of the Chinase must that she will not be satof the Chinese mind that she will not be satisfied with anything short of a complete surrender of the position which France has assumed in Tonquin. Troops are pouring in from the north, and are being raised here. from the north, and are being raised here. Froclamations concerning China's responsibility in the event of war are daily issued, the latest being to the effect that the sole responsibility of the present unsettled state of affairs rests with France, and any harm occuring to foreigners must be laid on the shoulders of France and not on China; the latter government cannot be responsible for excitement caused by the meddlesome policy of France, &c. A Chinaman told me the other day that "it's no use Trying to get along peaceably with a country like France, which is the most troublesome nation that along peaceably with a country like France, which is the most troublesome nation that ever existed. China must rise up as one mas, and crush the pride of the French. Germany tried it, but, although she succeeded in winning the day, stopped short of the mark. So now it rests with China to complete the humiliation of proud and arrogant France." Such is the sentiment of all the Chinese from the highest to the lowest. Some, however, dread war, and would do all possible to avoid it.

More Money for Harvard. Boston, Mass., Jan. 16.—By the will of the late Dr. Calvin Ellis the estate is left in trust for the benefit of his sister, and upon her decease \$50,000 goes to Harvard college, the net income of which, after deducting 5 per cent. for the purpose of increasing the fund, is to be applied to the payment of the tuition and the other expenses of certain descendants of Davis Ellis and others who may be members of the college. The residue of the trust property, if any, is also to be paid to the president and fellows of Harvard college, the income, after the same deduction of 5 per income, after the same deduction of 5 per cent, to be applied to the payment of a salary of a professor of pathological anatomy, under certain regulations as to the amount of such

Patent Rights at Auction.

New York, Jan. 16 .- All the property, franchises, rights, &c., of the American Heating and Power company were sold at auction to-day in this city. The letters patent of \$28, Belgium \$22, Germany \$20, Canada \$13, and Austria \$9. The real estate on Gold street, between Fulton and John streets, was sold for \$10,000 over a mortgage amounting sold for \$10,000 over a nortgage smounting to \$75,000, making the total purchase price \$55,000. The property is said to be valued at \$150,000. The property and effects of the company were purchased by Wm. E. Dodge, jr., Mr. Morgan, of Dresel, Morgan & Co., and David D. Withers as a committee for the Bondholders.

The Women's Board of Missions. Boston, Jan. 16.-The annual meeting of

the Women's Board of Missions commenced here to-day. The board now includes 22 here to-day. The board now includes 22 branches, 2 conference associations, and over 1,500 auxiliaries and mission circles. The board has 97 missionaries, 81 Bible women, 25 boarding schools and homes at Constantinople, Kiota, Osaka, and Madwa: also 123 villa: e and day schools. The work of the board abroad, in Turkey and Japan particularly, has been encouraging. Addresses by the various missionaries present were made the various missionaries present were made during the morning session. The treasurer's report shows the receipts for the year to be

Coal Miners Arrested.

PITTSBURG, PA., Jan. 16.—Twelve coal miners, formerly employed in the Southwest Coal works, at Buena Vista, Pa., were arrested this morning on a charge of conspiracy. preferred by the owners, who allege that since the lockout last December the men have been endeavoring to induce those working to strike. A hearing will be had this atternoon.

A hearing will be had this afternoon.
The miners charged with conspiracy waived
a hearing this afternoon, and furnished bail
in the sum of \$500 each for their appearance
at court. The men will return to Buena
Vista, and it is believed will continue their efforts to induce the workmen to strike

Boston Garroters Arrested.

BOSTON, Jan. 16.-John B. Woods, John Doherty, and Charles Quinn were arrested this morning and charged with garroting and robbing Eather Lowhead on South Morgan robbing I state? Lownesd on South Morgan street hast evening. The property taken from the woman was found on the men. It is not thought by the police that these men belong to the gang which has been operating extensively in the south and west ends for s few weeks past, none of the members of which have been apprehended.

A School Girl Arrested for Arson.

Boston, Jan. 16 .- Fannie G. Walker, 14 years of age, a pupil of the Foster grammar school, at Somerville, was arrested and ar-raigned to-day on the charge of having set fire to that building on Saturday last. The girl is possessed of a mania for setting fires, which appeared in the evidence at the exam--day. She was held for trial.

A Salvation Army Captain Arrested. REIDGEPORT, CONN., Jan. 16,-Capt, James Hunter, of the salvation army, was arrested on a warrant on his arrival here from New Vork last night. He is charged with violation of a city ordinance in leading a procession through the streets on Monday evening. He was committed to jail for ten days, having refused to pay a fine of \$5 and costs.

Rags to be Inspected in Egypt. Roscon, Jan. 16 .- Secretary Frelinghuyses has notified the Boston board of health that the state department at Washington will appeint in Egypt inspectors of rags, whose duty it will be to go through, inspect, and fumigate all rags before they are shipped from that country. This work has heretofore been done at domestic quarantines.

Farat Stabbing Affray at a Wedding. SHAMOKIN, PA., Jan. 16 .- During the wedding festivities of Miss Annie Zapah and Gustavus Kline last night a quarrel arose hetween Jacob Dongusky and Anthony Konosky about a dance. After hot words Konosky about a dance. After hot words Dongusky whipped out a knife and stabbed Konosky in the abdomen, arm, and back, fatally injuring him.

Serious Illness of Green Adams. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16.-Green Adams, chief clerk of the United States house of representatives during the forty-fourth, fortyfifth, and forty-sixth congresses, is lyi dangerously ill at his residence in this city.

Held for the Townsend Outrage. Oystes Bay, L. I., Jan. 16 .- John Tappar has been held without bail, pending the resuit of the coroner's inquiry into the recent aggravated assault supon Mr. and Mrs. Townthe dedicatory speech, Mr. Sage the prescuta- | se

THE MARYLAND LEGISLATURE.

Gov. McLane's Special Message-Balloting for a United States Senator.

ANNAPOLIS, MD., Jan. 16 .- Gov. McLane sent a special message to the legislature today on the labor question, accompanied by drafts of six bills, covering various branches of the subject. The message and recommenof the subject. The message and recommendations are intended to meet pledges of the late democratic platform and the promises made during the canvaes at the late election. The message reviews briefly the history of the labor agitation in England, and the general condition of workingmen. One of the bills accompanying the message proposes to regulate the hours of labor, allowing however, special contracts to be made with em-ployers. The number of hours is left blank in the bill, but eight actual working hours, exclusive of time for dinner, are bours, exclusive of time for dinner, are recommended. A second bill proposes to repeat the present law regulating the hours of employment of minors under 16 years of age, and to enact a law prohibiting the employment of children under 10 years of age in any factory or manufacturing establishment, and regulates the hours of labor of children under 16 years and women employed in factories, limiting them to eight actual working hours, with no power of special contract. A third bill relates to and provides for sanitary regulation of workshops and manufacturing establishments. The fourth legalizes trades unions, provides for their formation, and defines the lishments. The fourth legalizes trades unions, provides for their formation, and defines the powers of such organizations. The fifth defines the meaning of the word "conspiracy" in connection with trades unions. The sixth provides for the establishment of a state bureau of labor statistics.

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The legislature in joint session to-day voted for United States senator. The first ballot stood: James B. Groome, 17: Philip Thomas, 17; John M. Robinson, 25: Thomas J. Keating, 7; E. K. Wilson, 14; William T. Hamilton, 1; Lewis E. McComas, 6; Charles T. Westeott, 9; John A. J. Cresswell, 15; Robert B. Dixon, 4.

Second ballot: Robinson, 23; Thomas, 21; Wilson, 16; Groome, 14; Cresswell, 11; Wost.

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Adjourned till to-morrow.

THE SUGAR INTEREST.

Convention of Cane Planters in St. Louis

Yesterday. Sr. Louis, Jan. 16.-The fifth annual convention of the Mississippi Valley Cane Growers' association met this morning, when about fifty delegates were present, representing several states. The annual address was delivered by the president, Norman J. Coleman, of St. Louis, who reviewed the work of the year. The speaker believed the time had come to organize the National Cane Growers' association, with the object of developing the sugar industry throughout the country. The plant with the object of developing the sugar industry throughout the country. The planting of cane was yearly extending. The value
of the sirup produced from northern
cane was fully \$10,000,000. The meeting
room was filled with a large number of
samples of sugar made from northern cane,
which were inspected with much interest.
The address of the president was referred to
a committee of four for consideration. A
delegation of five from the Louisiana Sugar
(frowers' association was present. The con-

delegation of five from the Louisiana Sugar Growers association was present. The con-vention then took a recess.

On reassembling several new members were enrolled. The president announced a com-mittee to confer with the Louisville delega-tion. He also read a letter from the governor of Tennessee, accrediting E. W. Gifford as representative of the order of agriculture of

Tennessee.

Mr. Bilcher, from the committee to take under consideration the business of the last convention, reported that the committee recommended that the association be hereafter known as the National Cane Growers' association, and that the officers of the Cane Growers' associations in the different states be constituted honorary members of the national sascintion.

tional association.

The president received the report, and in structed the colors tution and by-laws, tution and by-laws, of Nebraska, then gave a Clarkson, of Nebraska, then gave a prospecti structed the committee to draw up a consti-Mr. Clarkson, of Nebraska, then gave a verbal report of the cane and sugar prospects

in that state. The Mormon Press Condemns Gov. Mur-

ray's Message. SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 16.—The Mermon papers comment severely upon the governor message. The News says: "It is a matter of regret that the governor has allowed himself

regret that the governor has allowed himself to become the tool of a clique hostile to a majority of the people. With a genial disposition and a fair record as a soldier, he ought to hold himself aloof from such influences. He has made himself an enemy to the territory, a slanderer of her citizens, and an interument of evil men for the overthrow of Utah."

The Herald says: "We can tell the governor that the authors of the message, if they decired the paper to carry weight, have overshot the mark, and will be disappointed from first to last. It is an assault upon the people and their religion. Viciousness runs through the entire document. We hope the legislature will treat its ill-timed threats with conture will treat its ill-timed threats with con tempt, and in none of their acts be severed or influenced by its menaces and intimida tion.

A Co-Operative Glass Works Project. PITTSEURG, Jan. 16.—At a meeting of glassworkers here to-night S. Holmes, represent ing capitalists of Toledo, Ohio, offered to donate ten acres of ground and to establish a window glass factory, a bottle house, and a fruit jar factory, the capitalists furnishing the cash necessary to put the factories in operation, provided the men go there and take a working interest in the concern. After some little discussion, the proposition was accepted. A large num-ber of persons have signified their intention to take stock in the new enterprise, and the books will be opened at once. The factories will be ready for operation by April.

Bequests to Educational Institutions Sr. Louis, Jan. 16.-The will of Ralph Sellew, who died suddenly yesterday, was probated to-day. He bequeaths \$80,000 to St. Louis institutions, \$40,000 of which is to the manual training school of Washington uni-versity; \$10,000 to St. Luke's hospital; \$10.-000 to the mission free school, and \$5,000 each to the Missouri theoretical society, the Episcopal orphans' home, the Me morial home and the German Protestant orphans' home.

Died from Fright.

AUGUSTA, GA., Jan. 16 .- The house of E. N. Miller, near Morwood, was burned to-day, The fire was caused by a defective stove. Miller's wife fainted from fright and died.

Department of Justice Investigation.

Mr. Springer, chairman of the house con

mittee on expenditures in the department of justice, said last night that that committee would probably finish its investigation into the cilicial conduct of United States deputy marshals and other officials of the department of justice within two or three weeks, when it would then take up the question of expenditures in the star route cases. The statement which had been published that the committee would summon before it Attorney General Brewster, S. W. Dorsey, and ex-Senator Spencer, was, he said, somewhat premature, although it was possible that the committee might find it necessary to bring those gentle-men before it, as they are in possession of the information which the committee is seeking.

The Weather.

Fair, warmer weather, followed in southern portions y local rains, variable winds, generally shifting to therly, and falling barometer. Vesterday's thermometer: 7 s. m., 18.0°; 11 s. m., 17.7°; 5 p. m., 20.9°; 7 p. m., 19.8°; 11 p. m., 19.0°; maximum, 27.6°; minimum, 14.9°,

MORE TROOPS FOR TONQUIN.

Fifteen Hundred Additional Men to be Sut From France.

Another Revolt in Egypt Instigated by Emissaries of El Mahdi.

Two Diverse Opinions as to the Proper Government of Ireland.

The Paris Workingmen Demand That Work be Given Them-Foreign News.

THE FRENCH AND CHINESE.

LONDON, Jan. 16 .- A Hong Kong dispatch to the Times says that the Chinese expect that if Bac-Ninh falls into the hands of the French the latter will either occupy Yu-Lin-Kau, the southern city on the island of Hai-Nan, or bombard Canton. The French, however,

repudiate any such idea.

PARIS, Jan. 16.—It is stated that 1,500 additional re-enforcements will start for Tonquin about the end of January.

AFFAIRS IN EGYPT.

CAIRO, Jan. 16.—The Eyptian government has abandoned its intention of sending Abdel Kader, the minister of war, to Khartoum. The governor of the district of Bahr-el-Ghazal (Gazelle river, a tributary of the White Nile) has asked for re-enforcements to quell a revolt there, which was plainly fomented by emissaries of El Mahdi.

THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND. LONDON, Jan. 16.—In his speech at New Castle last night Right Hon. Joseph Chamber-lain, president of the board of trade, said that the government would not consider its task complete until Irishmen possess the same rights and privileges as Englishmen and Scotchmen. cotchmen. The marquis of Salisbury was present to-

day at the opening ceremonies of the Con-servative association of Dorchester. In a speech upon the occasion he deprecated the proposed extension of the franchise in Ire-land.

land.
DUBLIN, Jan. 16.—All is quiet to-day at
Black Lion, county Cavan. The meetings of
Nationalists and Orangemen announced to be
held there to-day were prohibited by government proclamation.

THE ENGLISH PARLIAMENT. LONDON, Jan. 16.—Mr. Gladstone has issued a circular to the liberal members of the issued a circular to the liberal members of the bouse of commons requesting their attend-ance at the opening of parliament on the fifth of February. He says it is he desire of the government to submit to the house of commons at the earliest day possible after its opening proposals of much public interest and importance.

PRUSSIA AND THE VATICAN. ROME, Jan. 16.—The negotiations between the vatican and Prussia relative to ecclesi-astical matters are progressing favorably, and an agreement is expected to be reached

THE DYNAMITE CASE. London, Jan. 16.—In the Old Bailey court to-day the trial of Wm. Wolff and Edward Bondurand, for unlawfully being in posses-sion of explosives, was continued. Ferrall, the French informer, was cross-examined at length. Owing to the necessity of translating the questions asked the witness and his an-swers to them, the proceedings were very tedious. The case was adjourned until to-

HERR LASKER'S OBSEQUIES.
BERLIN, Jan. 16.—A committee has been formed here, under the presidency of the presidency of the bresident of the reichstag, to superintend the obsequies of the late Herr Lasker. It has been decided that the funeral ceremonies

shall take place on Monday, the twenty-eighth MORE EUROPEAN STEAMERS.

VIENNA, Jan. 16.—Baron Von Frienden-thal, minister of commerce, has approved a scheme for a regular monthly line of steamers between Trieste and New York. The steam-ers will commence running on the first of February. The railway and shipping rates on goods from Buda Pesth and Vienna to New York, via Trieste, will be exceptionally cheap. The Southern Pacific Railway company has also taken initial steps for a direct line of steamers from Trieste to New Orleans, via Havana, and proposes making preparations for larger imports of American cotton, in view of the unsettled state of affairs in

THE PARIS WORKINGMEN. PARIE, Jan. 16.—The workingmen's delegates had a conference to day with members of the party of the extreme left in the chamber of deputies. The delegates pointed out that 150,000 hands were out of employment, and they demanded that the chamber of

M. Clemenceau advised the delegates to return and obtain a mandate from the work-ingmen. The delegates refused to withingmen. The delegates refused to with-draw. Other deputies urged the delegates to remain calm, saying it was necessary, fore taking action, to have an explicit at ment of the working men's wishes.

deputies make arrangements to provide work

THE SPANISH CORTES.

MADRID, Jan. 16.—The debate on the address in reply to the king's speech was resumed in the chamber of deputies to-day. Senor Marlos, minister of the interior, made an exhaustive speech in defense of the government. He advocated universal suffrage, reform of the constitution, obligatory military service, national sovereignty, and an alliance between monarchists and democrats. He maintained that Senor Sagusta was answerable for the repture of the negotiations between the different lib-eral groups, and that if the government and the cortes were unable to agree the cortes should dissolve. Senor Marlos declared him-self an unconditional supporter of the king. Senor Gonzales, who was minister of the interior in the cabinet formed by Senor Interior in the cabinet formed by Senor Sagnata in ISSI, severely condemned the polcy of the present government, and defended Senor Sagasta's programme. It is expected that the debate will be coneluded to-day.

AT THE TEMPLE HOTEL.

The Pound Party Last Night in Aid of the Relief Committee.

Two large tables were piled high with bundles at the Temple cafe last night. Invitations had been issued for a pound party, while the quotation inscribed on them, "The poor ye have always with you," elicited generous contributions. The contributions represented all sorts of useful articles of clothing, fuel. and food. As an attraction, aside from the worthy purpose, a select programme was rendered. It included an excellently performed instrumental solo by Miss Ella II. Morrison. Mrs. J. G. Mills, of the St. Cecelia quartette, rendered two vocal solos. Miss Eva Mills, whose name was erroncounly published as one of the committee of recention, was not pressut. Recitation. reception, was not present. Recitations were given by Miss Anita Hendric and Miss M. Stavens Hart. In addition to the contributions of clothing, &c., cash offerings were also received. The reception committee, consisting of Miss Ella Morrison, Miss Amauda Coffin, Miss Arabella Upton, Miss Minnio Middour, Mrs. J. G. Mills, Miss Sadie White/ Miss S. M. Birch, and Miss Chewning, re-